

## Senator Stavisky Elected Treasurer of Legislative Women's Caucus

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**Albany, NY**—Senator Toby Ann Stavisky (D-Flushing) last week was elected treasurer of the New York State Legislative Women's Caucus. The Caucus is composed of 47 female lawmakers in the Senate and the Assembly from both sides of the aisle and across New York State.

Members of the Caucus determine its priorities for each legislative session. Previous priorities have included addressing the under representation of women in public office, increasing Minority and Women Business Enterprises (MWBE) and ensuring that critical programs and services for women are adequately funded in the state budget.

"Being the first woman from Queens elected to the State Senate, I understand the challenges that women face when they pursue public office," said Senator Stavisky. "Currently out of a 63-person Senate there are only 11 women Senators, which is hardly representative of 51% of the population. As part of the Legislative Women's Caucus, I am dedicated to supporting New York women whether they choose to seek public office, or start a small business, or do what women have always done to enrich our state."